## PROGRAMMING TIPS by Joe LEON :-

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Did you want an INPUTQ command ?, now you can plus some other useful tips you can use in your own programs.

HI-RES DRAWING ROUTINES by Don ISLES :- pages 4-6
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UZ MODS INFORMATION by Ross wOODS :- Page 10
We had quite a lot of enquiries over the last couple of months which took us a while to answer. We apologise to our enquirers as some of them had to wait some time for a reply. Two of the answers are reproduced.

UZ TOKENS AND WORDS by Robert QUINN :- Pages 11-13
At long last all the ADDRESSES for WORDS, TOKENS and ROUTINES are there for your perusal. The DISK WORDS were dealt with in last issue.

Like some of you I was confused by the program WORDS as some single character words were displayed as graphic characters when I was expecting the inverse of it. I'm confused no more as R. Quinn supplied the answer, see Pages $12-13$.

GALAXON GAME REVIEW by Peter J. HILL (NZ) :- Page 14
This game scores tops with Peter and he does a marvelous job reviewing it.

AEM4505 TONE CONTROL by Dave BOYCE :- Pages 15-16
Anyone looking to enhance their Speech Synth. will find it hard to go past this unit. The programs will be in next issue.

DOT MATRIX PRINTERS by Larry TAYLOR :-
Pages 17-18
Larry takes some of the confusion out and I learned some things about my printer which was'nt in the manual. Well worth the reading.

ADS, ADS, AND SOME MORE ADS :-
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Our advertising is increasing with a couple new ads. Read all about it.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT :-
My son (17) takes great delight in telling everybody that he taught his Dad all he knows about computers. I wish it was'nt half true. Anyone like to adopt him as he'll be up for adoption soon.

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$20{ }^{\prime} *$ HINTS AND TIPS FOR PSEUDO INPUTE, SIMPLE TIME DEIAY NOT *
30 '* USING A LOOP AND USING THE ELSE STATEMENT - BY JOE LEON *
40 '***********************************************************
50 :
60 CLS: GOSUB 100: GOTO 10
100 CLS: PRINTE249, "Y";:PRINTQ230, ; : INPUT"ARE YOU SURE Y/N ";A\$
120 IFA $\$=" N " T H E N 900 E L S E I F A \$=" Y " T H E N 800 E L S E 100$
800 PRINT@360, "YOU PRESSED 'Y'":SOUND30, $1 ; 20,1 ; 0,5:$ RETURN
900 PRINT@360, "YOU PRESSED 'N'":SOUND30, $1 ; 20,1 ; 0,5:$ RETURN

Most persons with a computer can learn some programming techniques just by studying someone else's programs. It's how I learned and am still learning. And now to the hints.

## INPUTQ :-

The $V Z$ does not have this command, but it is easy to simulate.
100 PRINT@230, ; : INPUT"ARE YOU SURE Y/N "; A
The trick is to put a 'PRINT@ 230, ; ' before your INPUT statement.
FLASHING CURSOR OUER Y OR N : -
If you typed in the little program and RUN it you will notice that the CURSOR is flashing over the 'Y'. Again it's simple to achieve. The tip is to PRINT the ' $Y$ ' before the INPUT command. Study Line 100 on how it's done.

TIME DELAY :-
Although the $U Z$ has a wiped out TIME\$ command, but unfortunately no processing routine for it. So instead of using a loop there is a another way. EG :- SOUNDO,5. By using a, $\theta^{\prime}$, for the first SOUND parameter we have a simple time delay. See Lines 800 and 900 for examples. The second SOUND parameter can be from 1 to 9 , with 1 giving shoritest delay, 9 the longest.

Using the ELSE Statement : -
By using ELSE in Line 120 we have compacted to one line what normally would take two or three. EG : -

## 120 IFA $\$=" N " T H E N 900 E L S E I F A \$=" Y " T H E N 800 E L S E 100$

120 IF $A \$=" N "$ THEN 900
130 IF A\$="Y" THEN 800
140 GOTO 100

As you can see by using ELSE we eliminated two Lines, saved memory space and the program will RUN faster. The program as it is will not accept any INPUT exept for a, Y , or ' N '. Lines 100 and 120 are heart of routine while the other lines demonstrate routines action.

The COLON (: )
As you may have noticed the colon is by itself in line 50. It can serve two functions used that way.

1) To reserve Line/s for future use.
2) To use as a divider between routines in your programs. See the HI-RES house LISTING in this issue for a perfect example. A ", " (Short form REM) could also be used, but it takes three bytes as against one for the COLON.

## PROGRAMME EXPLANATION OF HI-RES DRAWING ROUTINES

Lines 20 to 80 describe the programme and gives the choice of gable or round roof on the house.

Line 80 sets the value of 'R' at ' 0 ' for gable roof or ' 1 ' for round roof.

Line 100 sets graphic mode.
Lines 110 to 170 establishes background colour.
Lines 200 to 250 draws path.
Line 220 causes the path to slant to the left.
Lines 255 to 290 draws front wall of house.
Line 295 sets colour of roof.
Line 300 selects. roof shape.
Lines 305 to 330 draws gable roof.
Lines 340 to 375 draws a round roof using the trigonometrical functions of sine (SIN) and cosine (COS). As the trig. functions in the $V Z$ are in radians the angle value must be divided by 57.2957 in Line 345 prior to applying the function.

Lines 380 to 490 draws the fence.
Lines 500 to 600 draws the door.
Lines 610 to 820 draws the windows.
lines 860 to 950 draws th trees.
Line 1000 keeps the $V Z$ in graphics mode by providing an endless loop to prevent the $V Z$ returning to text mode.

Line 2000 provides an option for disk drive owners to save the Hi-Res picture of the house to disk. Just put a REM in front of GOTO in Line 1000 .

NOTE :- As the program consists of quite a few subroutines you could type in line 1000 after line 180 was typed in. Then you could RUN the program to see what the first subroutine does and do the same for each subsequent subroutine. It may help you to understand how SET(X/Y) works.


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2 '**************************************************************
4 '* HI-RES DRAWING ROUTINES FOR GABLE OR ROUND ROOF HOUSE *
6'* BY DON ISLES - HEHBER OF HUNTER VALLEY VZ USERS' GROUP *
8 *************************************************************
10 :
20 CLS:PRINT:PRINT* THIS PROGRAMME IS DESIGNED TO"
30 PRINT" DRAW A HOUSE, FENCE AND TREES.
40 PRINT" YOU HAVE CHOICE OF ROOF SHAPE, GABLE OR ROUND.
50 PRINT:PRINT
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70 PRINT:PRINT" OR*:PRINT
80 INPUT" PRESS [T THEN RE|HMRNA FOR ROUND ROOF m;R
90 :
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    100 HODE ( 1)
    110 COLOR 3
    120 FOR Y=0 TO 60
    130 IF Y=17 THEN COLOR 2
    140 IF Y=57 THEN COLOR 4
    150 FOR X=0 TO 120
    160 SET (X,Y)
    170 NEXT X:NEXT Y
    180 :
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    200 B=40:C=5
210 FORY=47TO56
220 B=B+1:C=C+. 15
2 3 0 ~ F O R X = B T O B + C ~ C
240 SET(X,Y)
250 NEXTX:NEXTY
251 :
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255 COLOR3
260 FORY=46TO25STEP-1
270 FORX=20T065
280 SET (X,Y)
290 NEXTX:NEXTY
291 :
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295 COLOR4
300 IF R=1 THEN 340
305 B=16:C=69
310 FOR Y=24 TO 12 STEP -1
315 B=B+2:C=C-2
320 FOR X=B TO C
325 SET(X,Y)
330 NEXT X:NEXT Y
335 GOTO 379
340 FOR M=20 TO 90 STEP 2
345 N=M/57.2957
350 L=COS(N)*27
355 Y=SIN(N)*14
360 FOR X=0 TO L
365 SET ( 42+X, 29-Y)
370 SET (43-X, 29-Y)
375 NEXT X:NEXT M
377 :
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380 COLOR1:FORY=51 TO 54 STEP 3
385 FOR X=0 TO 44
390 SET (X,Y)
395 NEXT X:NEXT Y
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400 FOR Y=51 TO 54 STEP 3
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400 FOR Y=51 TO 54 STEP 3
410 FOR X=61 TO 120
410 FOR X=61 TO 120
420 SET (X,Y)
420 SET (X,Y)
430 NEXT X:NEXT Y
430 NEXT X:NEXT Y
440 FOR X=0 TO 45 STEP 5
440 FOR X=0 TO 45 STEP 5
450 FOR Y=49 TO 56
450 FOR Y=49 TO 56
460 SET (X,Y)
460 SET (X,Y)
470 NEXT Y:NEXT X
470 NEXT Y:NEXT X
4 7 5 ~ F O R ~ X = 6 0 ~ T O ~ 1 2 0 ~ S T E P ~ 5 ~
4 7 5 ~ F O R ~ X = 6 0 ~ T O ~ 1 2 0 ~ S T E P ~ 5 ~
480 FOR Y=49 TO 56
480 FOR Y=49 TO 56
485 SET (X,Y)
485 SET (X,Y)
490 NEXT Y:NEXT X
490 NEXT Y:NEXT X
495 :

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495 :
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500 FOR Y=46 TO 37 STEP -1
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500 FOR Y=46 TO 37 STEP -1
510 FOR X=40 TO 45
510 FOR X=40 TO 45
520 SET (X,Y)
520 SET (X,Y)
530 NEXT X:NEXT Y
530 NEXT X:NEXT Y
535 COLOR 4
535 COLOR 4
540 FOR X=39 TO 46 STEP 7
540 FOR X=39 TO 46 STEP 7
550 FOR Y=46 TO 37 STEP - k
550 FOR Y=46 TO 37 STEP - k
560 SET (X,Y)
560 SET (X,Y)
570 NEXT Y:NEXT X
570 NEXT Y:NEXT X
580 FOR X=39 TO 46
580 FOR X=39 TO 46
590 SET(X,36)
590 SET(X,36)
595 NEXT X
595 NEXT X
600 SET (41,41)
600 SET (41,41)
502:

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502:
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6 1 0 ~ C O L O R ~ 2 ~
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6 1 0 ~ C O L O R ~ 2 ~
620 FOR Y=31 TO 39
620 FOR Y=31 TO 39
630 FOR X=26 TO 30
630 FOR X=26 TO 30
640 SET (X,Y)
640 SET (X,Y)
650 SET (X+29,Y)
650 SET (X+29,Y)
6 6 0 ~ N E X T ~ X : N E X T ~ Y ~
6 6 0 ~ N E X T ~ X : N E X T ~ Y ~
6 9 0 ~ C O L O R ~ 4 ~ A
6 9 0 ~ C O L O R ~ 4 ~ A
700 FOR Y=30 TO 40 STEP 5
700 FOR Y=30 TO 40 STEP 5
710 FOR X=26 TO 30
710 FOR X=26 TO 30
720 SET (X,Y)
720 SET (X,Y)
730 SET (X+29,Y)
730 SET (X+29,Y)
740 NEXT X:NEXT Y
740 NEXT X:NEXT Y
780 FOR X=25 TO 31 STEP 6
780 FOR X=25 TO 31 STEP 6
790 FOR Y=30 TO 40
790 FOR Y=30 TO 40
800 SET(X,Y)
800 SET(X,Y)
810 SET (X+29,Y)
810 SET (X+29,Y)
820 NEXTY:NEXTX

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820 NEXTY:NEXTX
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860 FOR Y=41 TO 34 STEP -1
870 SET(80,Y)
875 SET(107,Y)
880 NEXT Y
890 COLOR 1
900 B=69:C=91
905 FOR Y=33 TO 12 STEP -1
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860 FOR Y=41 TO 34 STEP -1
\(870 \operatorname{SET}(80, Y)\)
875 SET( \(107, Y\) )
880 NEXT \(Y\)
\(900 \mathrm{~B}=69: \mathrm{C}=91\)
905 FOR Y=33 TO 12 STEP -1
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$910 \mathrm{~B}=\mathrm{B}+.5 \div \mathrm{C}=\mathrm{C}-.5$
920 FOR $X=B$ TO C
$930 \operatorname{SET}(X, Y)$
940 SET ( $\mathrm{X}+27, \mathrm{Y}$ )
950 NEXT X:NEXT Y
1000 GOTO 1000
2000 BSAVE"HOUSE", $7000,77 \mathrm{FF}$



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The 2K ZERO Power Ran featured in issue \# 12 has it's uses. It fills up the $2 K$ gap nicely left by the DOS. One of it's limitations is the small memory size available. This article deals with an $8 K$ version. Like the $2 K$ one the $8 K$ Ram also has Built In LITHIUM Batteries and will be refered to as 8K BIB (Built In Batteries) Ram. Data rentention in the absence of power is over 10 years after which it behaves like a normal CMOS Ram.

Non Disk Drive owners will most likely put the 2 Rams in the 10 K Cart. area. Although the $8 K$ BIB Ram can be used there it can be put to more productive work.

This $8 K$ BIB Ram will prove to be most useful in activating all the hidden commands/functions in the Basic Roms or enhancing the DOS. Imagine being able to change at will any command or routine or replace them with your own. The Basic and DOS Roms are full of bugs which persons who know how will be able to fix.

Before proceeding with the article $I$ would like to point out that you'll need the Technical Reference Manual for reference and trouble shooting. And now to the project. There are five circuits although two are very similiar and we'll deal with each one in turn.

8K BIB RAM CIRCUIT :-

The 74LS138 is configured to decode in 8 K blocks. Using SW3 (Switch 3) you can place the $8 K$ BIB Ram in the following memory locations. $0000 \mathrm{H}-1 \mathrm{FFFH}$ (Rom 0), $2000 \mathrm{H}-3 F F F H$ (Rom 1), $4000 \mathrm{H}-5 \mathrm{FFFH}$ (Dos Rom) and at C000H-DFFFH.

If you have a VZ200 then you may have to select a lower $0 / P$ than $0 / \mathrm{P}$. 6. the idea of having the 8 K BIB Ram at higher memory is to be able to transfer the contents of one of the 3 lower $8 k$ blocks for modification. Then when it's done, switch out one of the $8 K$ blocks and switch in the $8 K$ BIB Ram in it's place for testing.

Switch 1 is the WRITE ENABLE/DISABLE Switch. Close to WRITE, Open to WRITE PROTECT.

Switch 2 is optional. It allows you to disable the 8K BIB Ram. Close to disable, Open to enable.

VZ200 MODS CIRCUIT :-
MOST UZ200's have 2X8K Basic Roms. These will have to be disabled or enabled in turn as shown in the diagram. For both Roms the CS (Chip Select) line must be cut and the circuit within the broken line box inserted. Switch 4 is Double Pole Triple Throw type.

Switch position 1 - Rom 0 and Rom 1 are enabled.
Switch position $2-R o m$ is disabled and Rom 1 is still enabled.
Switch position 3 - Rom 0 is re-enabled while Rom 1 is disabled.

NOTE :- Any switching must be done with the power offexcept
for Switch 1 which can be used any time.

BK BUIIT IN BATT. RAM CONT. . . 8 VZ 200/300 MODS :-

This circuit is for VZ 200/300 with 16 K Roms. The decoder (U3-74LS139) in VZ200 and (U13) in VZ300 send out Rom 0 and Rom 1 CS signals. They are ANDed together by the DIODE AND GATE which is fed into the CS input pin of the 16 K Rom. The same switch arrangement as with the previous mod. applies. No tracks have to be cut as it is easier to unsolder one end of the DIODE and make your connections to that end making sure it is the correct end. In the vacated hole from the DIODE you can put in the switch lead.

DOS MOD :-
This is even simpler to achieve. Cut the track between pin 20 of the 8 K Rom and Ground and insert Resistor and Switch as shown in the circuit.

U3 - 74LS139 VZ200 DECODER :-
Unlike the 74LS 138 this is a Dual Decoder. I labelled each half ' $A$ ' and ' $B$ ' respectively. Side ' $A$ ' is configured to decode in 8 K blocks while side 'B' decodes in 2 K blocks.

Before proceeding further a bit of an explanation on decoding and CS (Chip Select) about which I had some enquiries. I'll use the 74LS 138 as an example.

The INPUTS decide what size blocks it will decode in. Starting with $0 / P D$ to $0 / P 7$ each $0 / P$ goes to zero volts in turn activating each Ram/Rom the $0 / P$ 's are connected to. Only one Ram/Rom can be active at any one time. The CS select pin has to be taken to zero volts to activate the particular Ram/Rom. So inversely if we want to deactivate a Ram/Rom we can use a pull up resitor to +54 as shown in the circuits.

In the tables below the addresses are given for each decoded block for both the 74LS138 and 74LS139 decoders.
74LS 138 decoder
O/P $0-0000 \mathrm{H}-1 \mathrm{FFFH}$ (ROM 1 )
$0 / \mathrm{P} 1-2000 \mathrm{H}-3 \mathrm{FFFH}$ (ROM 2 )
$0 / \mathrm{P} 2-4000 \mathrm{H}-5 \mathrm{FFFH}$ (DOS ROM)
$0 / \mathrm{P} 3-8000 \mathrm{H}-7 \mathrm{FFFH}$
$0 / \mathrm{P} 4-8000 \mathrm{H}-9 \mathrm{FFFH}$
$0 / \mathrm{P} 5-\mathrm{A} 000 \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{BFFFH}$
$0 / \mathrm{P} 6-\mathrm{C} 000 \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{DFFFH}$
$0 / \mathrm{P} 7-\mathrm{E} 000 \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{FFFFH}$

74LS139 decoder

|  | $0000 \mathrm{H}-1 \mathrm{FFFH}$ | (ROM 1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $0 / P$ | $2000 \mathrm{H}-3 \mathrm{FFFH}$ | (ROM 2) |
| $0 / \mathrm{P}$ | $4000 \mathrm{H}-5 \mathrm{FFFH}$ | ( DOS ROM |
| 0/P 3 | 6000H-7FFFH | Side |
| $0 / \mathrm{P} 0$ | $6000 \mathrm{H}-67 \mathrm{FFH}$ | Side |
| $0 / \mathrm{P}$ | 6800H-6FFFH | Side |
| $0 / \mathrm{P} 2$ | 7000H-77FFH | Side |
| P | 7800H-7FF | - Side B |

$0 / \mathrm{P} 1$ - $2000 \mathrm{H}-3 \mathrm{FFFH}$ (ROM 2)
$0 / \mathrm{P} 2-4000 \mathrm{H}-5 \mathrm{FFFH}$ (DOS ROM)
$0 / \mathrm{P} 3=6000 \mathrm{H}-7 \mathrm{FFFH}-\mathrm{Side}$ A $\uparrow$
$0 / \mathrm{P} 0$ - $6000 \mathrm{H}-67 \mathrm{FFH}$ - Side B
$0 / \mathrm{P} 1$ - $6800 \mathrm{H}-6 \mathrm{FFFH}$ - Side B
0/P 2 - $7000 \mathrm{H}-77 \mathrm{FFH}$ - Side B
$0 / \mathrm{P} 3$ - $7800 \mathrm{H}-7 \mathrm{FFFH}$ - Side B

The 74LS139 in the VZ200 has two unused outputs of particular interest to us.
$0 / \mathrm{P} 1$ - Pin 6, side A - $4000 \mathrm{H}-5 \mathrm{FFFH}$ ( 8 K Block)
$0 / \mathrm{P} 2$ - Pin 12, side B - 6000H-67FFH (2K Block)
You'll notice that's the 10 K Cartidge area. I used the 2 K decoded $0 / P$ for the $2 K$ Zero Power Ram as described in last issue which saved me building a decoder. I'm lazy, if it's already there I'll use. Why reinvent the wheel. Happy hacking.

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0 '***********************************************************
2 '* CONVERT DEC TO HEX TO BINARY TO LO-BYTE AND HI-BYTE *
** MODIFIED AND ENHANCED FOR THE UZ BY DAVE MITCHELL *
6 '*********************************************************
8:
10 POKE30862, 0: POKE30863, 114:POKE29184, 243: POKE29185,201
20 POKE30777, 1:Z$="
30 CLS:PRINT" THIS UTILITY WILL DISPLAY THE EQUIVALENT";
40 PRINT" VALUES OF DECIMAL, HEX AND BINARY ON THE SCREEN"
5 0 ~ P R I N T " ~ A N D ~ T O ~ T H E ~ P R I N T E R . " '
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```
110 AA$=INKEY$:A$=INKEY$:IFA$=" "THEN110
120 SOUND30,1
130 IFA$="A"THENGOSUB 180:GOSUB230:GOTO110
140 IFA$="B"THENGOSUB180:GOSUB240:GOTO110
150 IFA$="C"THENGOSUB 180:GOSUB250:GOTO110
160 IFA$="D"THENGOSUB180:GOSUB720
170 GOTO110
180 PRINT@0,Z$:PRINT@32,Z$:PRINT@64,Z$:PRINT@96,Z$
190 PRINT@0,"DECIMAL =":PRINT@32,"HEX ="
200 PRINT@64,"BINARY =":PRINT@96,"L.S.B ="
210 PRINT@113,"M.S.B. =":RETURN
220 PRINT@448,Z$:RETURN
230 GOSUB410:GOSUB540:GOSUB260:RETURN
240 GOSUB470:GOSUB540:GOSUB260:RETURN
250 GOSUB620:GOSUB420:GOSUB260:RETURN
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270 AA$=INKEY$:A$=INKEY$:IFA$<>"Y"ANDA$\langle>"N"THEN270
280 SOUND30,1
290 PRINT@480," ";
300 IFA$="N"THEN400
310 IFC<=32767THEN330
320 LPRINT"DECIMAL VALUE ="C;" ( ";INT(C-65536);")":GOTO340
330 LPRINT"DECIMAL VALUE ="C
340 LPRINT" HEX VALUE = ";H1$
350 LPRINT" BINARY VALUE = ";C$
360 LPRINT"LEAST SIGNIFICANT BIT=";E2
370 LPRINT"MOST SIGNIFICANT BIT =";E1
380 REM LINE 309 LPRINTSTRING$(20,46)
390 LPRINTSTRING$(20,46)
400 C$="":H1$="":RETURN
410 B$="":PRINT@448,"ENTER DECIMAL VALUE";:INPUTD:C=D:GOSUB220
420 X=USR(0):B=D/2:D=INT(B):IFB=DTHENB$=" 昂 + B$ELSEB$=" 1"+B$
430 IFD>0THEN420ELSEPRINT@74,B$
440 C$=B$:B$=""
450 PRINT@9, C:IFC<=32767THENRETURN
460 PRINT@20,CHR$(104);" ";C-65536;CHR$(105):RETURN
470 D=0:PRINT@448,"ENTER BINARY ";:INPUTB$:C $=B$:GOSUB220
4 8 0 ~ X = U S R ( 0 )
490 FORI=LEN(B$)TO1STEP-1:IFMID$(B$,I,1)="1"THEND=D+2^(LEN(B$)-I)
500 NEXT:PRINTQ74,C$
510 IFD<=32767THEN530
520 PRINT®20,CHR$(104);" ";INT(D-65536);CHR$(105)
5 3 0 ~ P R I N T @ 日 , ~ D : C = D : D = 0 : B \$ = " " : I = 0 : R E T U R N
540 X=USR(0):AD=C
550 B=INT(AD/256):E1=INT(B):GOSUB580:H$=B$
560 B=AD-(256* B ):E2=INT(B):GOSUB580:H$=H$+B$
570 PRINT@42,H$:H1$=H$:PRINT@ 105, E2:PRINT@121, E1:RETURN
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580 H=INT(B/16):L=B-(H*16):B$=""
5 9 0 ~ D = H : G O S U B 6 0 0 : D = L : G O S U B 6 0 0 : R E T U R N ~
600 IFD>9THENB$=B$+CHR$(55+D)ELSEB$=B$+CHR$(48+D)
6 1 0 ~ R E T U R N
620 PRINTQ448, "ENTER HEX EG. 0000 ";:INPUTH$:H1$=H$:GOSUB220
630 X=USR(0):H$=RIGHT$(H$,4)
640 HH$=LEFT$(H$, 2):GOSUB680:E=H*256:E1=H
650 HH$=RIGHT$(H$, 2):GOSUB680:E=E+H:E2=H
660 PRINT@42,H1$:D=E:C=E:B$="":PRINT@105,E2:PRINT@121,E1
6 7 0 ~ R E T U R N
680 H=0:A$=LEFT$(HH$, 1):GOSUB700:H=D*16
690 A$=RIGHT$(HH$, 1):GOSUB700:H=H+D:RETURN
700 D=ASC (A$):IFD<58THEND=D-48ELSED=D-55
710 RETURN
720 B$="":PRINT@448, "ENTER LSB.";:INPUTS:GOSUB220
730 PRINT@448, "ENTER MSB.";:INPUTM:GOSUB220:X=USR(0)
740 D=S+256*M:C=D:S=0:M=0:GOSUB420:GOSUB540:GOSUB260:RETURN
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## VZ MODS INFORMATION BY ROSS TMOODS

MOD I FY Y N G V Z 200 / 30016 K R A M EXPANSION
Use of the UZZOD RAM PACK will give only $6 K$ EXTRA to the $V Z$ 300 COMPUTER. To get the FULL 16 K with UZ300 we refer you to an article by STEVE OLNEY in ETI, FEBRUARY 1986, (Page 71-74). The modification involves "PIGGYBACKING" of an extra IC, a (74LS00) and cutting of ONE PCB TRACK. (It is possible to fit a SWITCH SO THAT IT CAN BE USED WITH BOTH VZ 200 ( 300 COMPUTERS).

On the other hand you may want to use a UZ300 RAM PACK with a YZ200 COMPUTER, the details of this modification is normally supplied together with the instructions for the RAM PACK from DICK SMITH ELECTRONICS. It involves moving LINKS on the PCB. (It may be possible to fit a SWITCH SO THAT IT COULD BE USED WITH BOTH VZ 200 / 300 COMPUTERS).

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FOR those who have a UZ 300 and require FULL EXPANSION to Top of MEMORY 'FFFF, there was an article in ISSUE Number 3, Page 12-13 by Dave Boyce in the Hunter Valley VZ Users, Group Newsletter (Now known as HUNTER VALLEY UZ JOURNAL).

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Most of the VZ's BASIC words that were never enabled in the $V Z$ have dedicated processing routines in ROM. Each of these words is listed along with its token code, its start address in the WORD TABLE, and the start address for the routine that processes it. The routine addresses are listed in decimal, then in LO HI format (where address $=$ LO+HI *256) and in hex.

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| 5712 | 128 | END | 7598 | 174 | 29 | IDAE | 5983 | 192 | VARFTF | no | ADD | ESS | LIST |
| 5715 | 129 | FOR | 7329 | 161 | 28 | 1CAI | 59.89 | 193 | USR | No | ADD | ESS | LIST |
| 5718 | 130 | RESET | 312 | 56 | 1 | 0138 | 5992 | 194 | EFL | No | ADD | ESS | LIST |
| 5723 | 131 | SET | 309 | 53 | 1 | 0135 | 5995 | 195 | ERR | No | ADD | ESS | LIST |
| 5726 | 132 | CLS | 457 | 201 | 1 | 0169 | 5998 | 196 | STRING\# | N No | ADDF | Ess | LIST |
| 5732 | 134 | Random | 467 | 21 | 1 | 0103 | 6010 | 198 | FOINT | No | ADD | ESS | LIST |
| 5738 | 135 | NEXT | 8986 | 182 | 34 | 2286 | 6020 | 200 | MEM | No | ADDF | EsS | LIST |
| 5742 | 136 | DATA | 7941 | 5 | 31 | 1F05 | 6023 | 201 | INKEY: | No | ADDF | ESS | LIST |
| 5746 | 1.37 | INFUT | 8602 | 154 | S | 219 A | 6029 | 202 | THEN | no | ADDF | Ess | LIST |
| 5751 | 138 | DIM | 9736 | 8 | 38 | 2608 | 60.3 | 20.3 | NOT | No | ADD | Ess | LIST |
| 5754 | 139 | READ | 8687 | 239 | 33 | 21EF | 6036 | 204 | STEF | No | ADD | Ess | LIST |
| 5758 | 140 | LET | 7969 | 33 | 31 | 1 F21 | 6840 | 205 | + | NO | ADDF | Ess | LIST |
| 5761 | 141 | GOTO | 7874 | 194 | 30 | $1 \mathrm{EC2}$ | 6041 | 206 | + | NO | ADD | ES5 | LIST |
| 5765 | 142 | fun | 7843 | 163 | 30 | leas | 6042 | 207 | * | NO | ADDF | Ess | LIST |
| 5768 | 143 | IF | 8249 | 57 | 32 | 2039 | 6043 | 208 | 1 | No | ADDF | ESS | LISt |
| 5770 | 144 | FESTORE | E 7569 | 145 | 29 | 1091 | 6044 | 209 |  | NO | ADI | ESS | LIST |
| 5777 | 145 | gosub | 7857 | 177 | 30 | 1EB1 | 6045 | 210 | AND | No | ADD | Es | LIET |
| 5782 | 146 | RETURN | 7902 | 222 | 30 | 1EDE | 6048 | 211 | OR | NO | ADDF | ESS | LIST |
| 5788 | 147 | REM. | 7943 |  | 31 | 1 F07 | 6050 | 212 | $\rangle$ | NO | ADDF | SS | LIST |
| 5791 | 148 | Stop | 7953 | 169 | 29 | 9 | 6051 | 213 | $=$ | No | ADDF | ES | LIST |
| 5795 | 149 | Else | 7943 | 7 | 31 | $1 F 0$ | 6052 | 214 | - | NO | ADDF | Ess | LIST |
| 5799 | 150 | COFY | 14610 | 18 | 57 | 3912 | 6055 | 215 | S6N | 2442 | 138 | 9 | 098A |
| 5805 | 151 | COLOR | 14493 | 157 | 56 | 3890 | 6056 | 216 | INT | 2871 | 55 | 11 | 0E37 |
| 5808 | 152 | VERIFY | 14136 | 56 | 55 | 3738 | 6059 | 217 | ABS | 2423 | 119 | 9 | 0997 |
| 5814 | 153 | DEFINT | 7683 | 3 | 30 | 1 EDS | 6062 | 218 | FRE | 10196 | 212 | 39 | 27D4 |
| 5820 | 154 | DEFSNG | 7686 | 6 | 30 | 1ED6 | 6065 | 219 | INP | 10991 | 239 | 42 | 2AEF |
| 5826 | 155 | DEFDEL | 7689 | 9 | 30 | 1 E09 | 6068 | 220 | fos | 10229 | 245 | 39 | 27F5 |
| 5832 | 156 | CRUN | 14126 | 46 | 55 | 372 E | 6071 | 221 | Saf | 5095 | 231 | 19 | 1 SE7 |
| 5836 | 157. | MODE | 11875 | 79 | 46 | 2EES | 6074 | 222 | FND | 5321 | 201 | 20 | 1409 |
| 5840 | 158 | SOUND | 11253 | 245 | 43 | 2BF5 | 6077 | 223 | Log | 2057 | 9 |  | 0809 |
| 5845 | 159 | FESUME | 8111 | 175 | 31 | 1 FAF | 6080 | 224 | EXF | 5177 | 57 | 20 | 1439 |
| 5851 | 160 | OUT | 11005 | 251 | 42 | 2 AFB | 6085 | 225 | COS | 5441 | 65 | 21 | 1541 |
| 5854 | 161 | ON | 8044 | 108 | 31 | 1F6C | 6086 | 226 | SIN | 5447 | 71 | 21 | 1547 |
| 5911 | 175 | LPRIINT | 8295 | 103 | 32 | 2067 | 6089 | 227 | TAN | 5544 | 168 | 21 | $15 A B$ |
| 5920 | 177 | FOKE | 11441 | 177 | 44 | 2CE1 | 6092 | 228 | ATN | 5565 | 189 | 21 | 15ED |
| 5924 | 178 | FRINT | 8 BaS | 111 | 32 | 206F | 6095 | 229 | FEEK | 11434 | 170 | 44 | 2CAA |
| 5929 | 179 | CONT | 7652 | 228 | 29 | 1 DE4 | 6129 | 239 | CINT | 2587 | 127 | 10 | 6A7F |
| 5933 | 180 | LIST | 11054 | 46 | 43 | 2B2E | 6135 | 240 | CSNG | 2737 | 177 | 10 | QAE1 |
| 5937 | 181 | LLIST | 111649 | 41 | 43 | 2829 | 6137 | 241 | CDBL | 2779 | 219 | 10 | GADE |
| 5942 | 182 | delete | 11206 | 198 | 43 | 2BC6 | 6141 | 242 | FIX | 2854 | S8 | 11 | 0.26 |
| 5948 | 18.3 | Auto | 3200 |  | 32 | 2008 | 6144 | 243 | LEN | 10755 | 8 | 42 | 2 ADF |
| 5952 | 184 | clear | 7802 | 122 | 30 | 1E7A | 6147 | 244 | STR: | 10294 | 54 | 40 | 28.36 |
| 5957 | 185 | CLOAD | 13910 | 86 | 54 | 3656 | 6151 | 245 | VAL | 10949 | 197 | 42 | $2 \mathrm{AC5}$ |
| 5962 | 186 | csave | 13481 | 169 | 52 | 34A9 | 6154 | 246 | ASC | 10767 | 15 | 42 | 2AbF |
| 5967 | 187 | NEW | 6785 | 73 | 27 | 1849 | 6157 | 247 | CHF\% | 10783 | 31 | 42 | 2A1F |
| 5970 | 188 | tab ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | NO | ADDFE |  | LIST | 6161 | 248 | LEFT | 10849 | 97 | 42 | 2 Ab 1 |
| 5974 | 189 | TO | No | ADDR |  | LIST | 6166 | 249 | RIGHT | 10897 | 145 | 42 | $2 A 91$ |
| 5978 | 191 | USİNG | NO | ADDRE |  | LIST | 6172 | 250 | MID* | 10906 | 154, | 42 | $2 A 9 A$ |

The WORD TABLE divides into three parts.
Words from END (token 128) to NEW (token 187) are all words that must begin a BASIC statement if they are used at all. Some (such as END, CLS, NEW, STOP) must stand alone as the entire BASIC statement. Others (NEXT, PRINT, RUN, etc.) may stand alone as an entire statement or be the primary word of an extended statement. Each of these words has a two byte pointer in the POINTER TABLE that follows the WORD TABLE. The pointer contains the address (in LO HI format) of the routine that executes the word (don't worry, it's quite official--our VZ is no murderer).

Words from SGN (token 215) to MID\$ (token 250) are all words that cannot occur at the start of a BASIC statement. Each has a pointer in the POINTER TABLE which precedes the WORD TABLE, where again the pointer addresses a processing routine (execute!) for that word.

Words from TAB( (token 188) to (token 214) do not have pointers in either of the POINTER TABLES. They are executed by the primary words of statements in which they occur. Strictly speaking it is the tokens that do all the dirty work. The wards are just there for the convenience of the human operator. imagine trying to figure out a program listing which only displayed tokens.
5640 to 5711: ROUTINE POINTER TABLE 1
5712 to 6177: WORD TABLE
6178 to 6297: ROUTINE POINTER TABLE 2

NOTES ON PROGRAM WORDS FROM LAST ISSUE :-
When the program is RUN, tokens 205 to 208 and 212 to 214 designate words that display on screen as graphic characters. The program is accurate. The first byte of each word being in inverse form to mark the start of a new word. This is strictly true for words which begin with alphabetical characters, the majority, but not for those few words that consist of nonalphabetical characters. A more accurate wording would be:-
"The first byte of each word being the ASCII character code + 128 to mark the start of a new word." For alphabetical characters, adding 128 to the ASCII code will yield the inverse character code. Most BASIC words begin with an alphabetical character, so most of the the words in the WORD TABLE will begin with an inverse character. However, a few BASIC words consist of a single nonalphabetical character: $+,-, *, /, \uparrow,\rangle,=;\langle$

They too are represented in the WORD TABLE by the ASCII code +128 , but this does not yield the inverse character codes. On the $V Z$, for those characters with ASCII codes less than 64, the inverse character code is the ASCII code +192 . Still, when the UZ BASIC INTERPRETER comes across one of these words in the WORD TABLE, it subtracts 128 to get the ASCII code.

Add this line to the WORD program to get it to identify the few BASIC words that consist of single, nonalphabetical characters:-

5712 128：197토 78N 68D
5715 129：198
5718 130：210텨 69E 835 69E 84T
5723 131：2115 69E 84T
5726 132：195 76 835
5729 133：129－0 0
5732 134：129－0 0 0 0 0
5738 135：206Nㅔ 69E 88X 84T
5742 136：196追 65A 84T 65A
5746 137：2011 78 N 80P 85U 84 T
5751 138：1．96빅 731 77M
5754 139：2101ted 69E 65A 68D
5758 140：204는 69E 84T
5761 141：199［E 79084 T 790
5765 142：210～ㅓ 85 U 78 N
5768 143：2014 70F
5770 144：2101：69E 835 84T 790 82R 69E
5777 145：199［4 79083585 L 66B
5782 146：210 ${ }^{\text {ta }} 69 \mathrm{E} 84 \mathrm{~T} 85 \mathrm{~L} 82 \mathrm{R} 78 \mathrm{~N}$
5788 147：2104E 69E 77M
5791 148：2118 84T 79080 P
5795 149：197 벼 76L 835 69E
5799 150：195댄 $79080 \mathrm{P} 89 \%$
5803 151：195比79076L 790 82R
5808 152：214W 69E 82R 731 70F 89Y
5814 153：129—0 0 0 0 0
5820 154：129—00000
5826 155：129－00000
5832 156：195L 82R 85U 78N
5836 157：2054 790 680 69E
5840 158：2115 790 85U 78N 68D
5845 159：129—00000
5851 160：207以 85U 84T
5854 161：129－ 0
5856 162：129－0 0 0
5860 163：129－0 0 0 0
5865 164：129－0 0
5868 165：129．00
5871 166：129 0 0 0 0
5876 167：129－0 0 0
5880 168：129—0000
5885 169：129－00 0
$5889170: 129 \div 00$
5893 171：129—0 0 0
5897 172：129—0 0 0
5901 173：129—0 00
5905 174：129－0 0 0 0
5911 175：204世 80P 82R 731 78N 84T
5917 176：129—0 0
5920 177：208H 790 75K 69E
5924 178：2081레․ 82R 7SI 78N 84T
5929 179：19더 790 78N 84T
5933 180：2044 73183584 T
5937 181：204땐 76L 731 835 84T
5942 182：129—0 0000
5948 183：129 000
5952 184：195 둔 76L 69E 65A 82R
5957 185：195 76 L 790 65A 68D
5962 186：195巴 8.3565 A 86 V 69 E
5967 187：206䍀 69E 87W
5970 188：212山 65A 66E 40（
5974 189：2121 790

5976 128：129 ■
5978 129：213 835 73I 78N 716
5983 130：129 0 0 0 0 0
5989 131：213世 835 82R
5992 132：129．00 0
5995 133：129－ 00
5998 134：129－000000
6005 135：129－ 0000
6010 136：2081 $79073178 N 84 T$
6015 137：129—0000
6020 138：129－ 0
6023 139：201 4 78N 75K 69E 89Y 36\＄
6029 140：212H 72H 69E 78N
6033 141：20614 79084 T
6036 142：2115 84T 69E 80F
6040 143：1714 WORD IS＋
6041 144：173m WORD IS－
6042 145：1701 WORD IS＊
6043 146：175喵 WORD IS／
6044 147：222둔
6045 148：193H 78N 68D
6048 149：20710 82R
6050 150：190 WORD IS＞
6051 151：189m WORD IS＝
6052 152：188 WORD IS＜
6053 153：2115 716 78N
6056 154：201㥜 78N 84T
6059 155：193 1 66B 835
6062 156：129＝0 0
6065 157：2014 78N 80P
6068 158：129．00
6071 159：2115 810 82R
6074 160：210 ${ }^{6}$ 78N 68D
6077 161：204뚠 790716
6080 162：197E 88X 80Р
6083 163：195던 790 835
6086 164：2115 731 78N
6089 165：2121 65A 78N
6092 166：193Til 84T 78N
6095 167：2081E 69E 69E 75K
6099 168：129 00
6102 169：129 0 0
6105 170：129 0 0
6108 171：129．00
6111 172：129－00
6114 173：129．00
6117 174：129－000
6121 175：129—000
6125 176：129．000
6129 177：129－0 0 0
6：133 178：129－000
6137 179：129 000
6141 180：129 0 0
6144 181：204牟 69E 78N
6147 182：211B 84T 82R 36\＄
6151 183：2141혀 65A 76L
6154 184：193世 8．35 67C
6157 185：195ㄸㅓㅕ 72H 82R 36\＄
6161 186：204围69E 70F 84T 36
6166 187：2101 73I 71G72H 84T 36
6172 188：2051ill 731 68D 36

## D.S.E. GAME - GALAXON - CAT.\#X-7352

Well D.S.E. have done it again, another excellent $V Z$ game. I wonder how long they have been sitting on this beauty ?

Anyway, let me tell you about Galaxon :-
You must fire at a pack of aliens above you, while trying not to be hit by the diving aliens yourself.

These aliens dive on you from the pack and try to crash into you. To make matters even worse, these diving aliens drop bombs that will surely killyou if you don't avoid them.

In the attacking pack there are three different types of alien and each type is worth a different score.

Also there are more points awarded for hitting the aliens while they are diving rather than hitting them while they are just sitting still in the pack.

If after all this, you manage to avoid the aliens, they reform in the pack at the top of the screen. You get three lives and also get an extra life for every 10,000 points you score.

You would really have to see and play this game to really appreciate how good it really is. It's not an easy game to play, and who would want it to be.

I liked this game from the moment it started loading. First you get a Galaxon title page, followed by an instruction page, which you have a chance to read while the game is loading.

Key control is excellent, as is the joystick option. One thing I felt was a good idea, was using the (J) or (K) key option to start each new game instead of the (S) key. That way if you get sick of using your joysticks and feel like a change, you don't have to switch off and reload to use the keys. (REMEMBER Don't plug in or unplug your joysticks without first TURNING off your UZ, you will do damage to your system if you do).

Galaxon is like a vz invaders game when you first get started, but are you in for a surprise when these aliens really start moving.

The game is fast moving and excellent use is made of the VZ's graphics and sound effects.

I had trouble turning off my computer once i had started playing this game, and when this happens you know you've got a winner. The programmer "Stephen Clarke" should write and market his own software, if this game is anything to go by.

Anyway, "Galaxon" must follow as a very close second, when it comes to super $V Z$ programs, just behind "Dawn Patrol". D.S.E. haven't had many programs as good as this one, which is a shame, because we users know what the VZ is capable of. Don't we ! !

Now that You have made Your AEM4505 SPEECH SYNTHESISER, let's add what could be best described as a TONE control. Before continuing with the construction changes, a word of WARNING.

The two Tone controls should be left in their central positions and only moved minimum amounts to suit ones, own taste. Move the controls TOO far and the Speech Synth will go into Oscilation, if the RESET button doesn't regain control then powering down of the Speech Synth (only) will be necaessry.

YOU have been WARNED.
Construction Notes :-.

1) Using a small piece of Vero-board, construct the circuit diagram as shown. I suggest that sockets be installed under the two Ic's. Although the diagram looks involved, there are very few wires to connect to the Main $4505 \mathrm{P} . \mathrm{C}$. B. These being : -

GND - 0 Volts
+5 Volts
1 wire from the output of the $74 L S 00$ gate to the SPO chip plus
2 wires to the PITCH control and
3 wires to the RANGE control from the small board to the pots.
2) Remove capacitors C4 and C5.
3) Remove $X$-TAL2, it's next to the SPO chip.

Reconnecting Notes :-
4) Solder the GND (0 V) wire to the 4505 P.C.B. followed by the +5 Volt wire.
5) Next - solder the wire marked TP on the diagram below into the hole nearest the SPO chip left vacant by the X-TAL. This hole is connected on the P.C.Board to pin 27 of the SPO chip.
6) Connect the remaining wires to their respective control pots.
7) On the BACK of each Control Pot, assuming they are metal, scratch the surface until you have a elean surface. Tin each of these bare spots. From the GND terminal of either the VOL or RANGE pot, run a wire to the back of each pot and solder to the 'Tinned Bare Spots'. This will stop (hopefully) the pots acting as antennas when you touch them - honest.
8) Reconnect any other wires that may have been disconnected when you started on the job.
9) Set the two new pots to their central positions.
O.K. Connect the Speech Synth back onto the $V Z$ and turn on. Everything alright? Did you get the familiar, OK from the Speech Synth? If not then turn off and check everything from the start.

Load in and RUN "TALK A" and check that the two contróls are working.

NOTE : - Circuit Diagram and Parts List on next page. . .

Parts List for the Tone Control for AEM 4505 Speech Synth. Dick Smith catalogue numbers given where possible.

1-74LS529-ALTFONICS Z 8427
1-74LSOD - DSE Z-4900
1-470R resistor - DSE R-0566
1-10K resistor - DSE R-0597
1-100K resistor - DSE R-0624
1-27pF ceramic capacitor - DSE R-2245 See note below.
$1-2 \mathrm{u} 235$ volt Tantalum capacitor - DSE R-4750
1-47K or 50k potentiometer - DSE R-1809
1-220k potentiometer. Yes Virginia, they do exist.
1-14 PIN DIP sacket - DSE F-4140
1-16 FIN DIP socket - DSE P-4160


Note on $27 p f$ cap. : The value of this cap. may have to be varied from anywhere between $18 p f$ and $33 p f$. A trimmer cap. from D. Smiths can also be used in place of the fixed value cap. D.S. No\# - R2930. It is possible to mount the small board on the back of one of the control pots, this will save using long wires to that pot, PLUS, it saves having to find a mounting place for the small board.

I have made this modification to both my original Speech Synth and my (home made version of the) AEM4505, in either case, the mod works quite well.

Cost - $\$ 12$ to $\$ 15$ - Happy Hackin'. Dave Boyce June ' 87
Routine to make the unit Talk.
100 A\$="HELLO-THERE"
110 REM WHERE A $\$$ is to be output to the Speech Synthsiser
120 GOSUB 15020 : REM OR GOTO
This is the sub-routine to be used :-
15010 REM - IN USE $\rightarrow A \$$, A and T
15020 FOR $T=1$ TO LEN (A $\$$ )
$15030 \mathrm{~A}=\mathrm{ASC}(\mathrm{MID}(\mathrm{A} \$, \mathrm{~T}, 1))$
15040 OUT 12, A : REM OUT 13,0 MAY BE NECESSARY AS WELL
15050 NEXT
15060 LPRINT:LPRINT:REM THESE MUST BE HERE
15070 RETURN : REM OR GOTO 0000 - CONTINUE ON
Make A\$ equal to any String to be output to the Speech Synth.
USE HYPHENS between words, this helps the Speech flow evenly.
2 Hyphens (or more) will slow the Speech down.
Commas have a pausing effect as well.
A (.) Period will make the Speech Pause between words (long pause). 2 Periods (..) will pause even longer.

EXAMPLES :-
$10 \mathrm{~A} \$=$ "DOGGY.WFFWFF-WFF-WFFWFF-RFF"
20 A $\$=$ "STEAM-TRAIN. SHSHSHSHSHSS, TOOT-TOOT, SHSHSH"
30 A $=$ "WHISPERING.SHSH.SH.SH-SH-SH-SHSHSH-SH-SHSHSH"
$40 \mathrm{~A}=$ = $\mathrm{MACHINE}-G U N$. GGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGGG": REM (28G's)

## DQT MATFRIX PFRINTEFES by Larry Taylor

The VZ is a versatile, little computer, especially if teamed with a peripheral device, then that device is an EPSON type dot atrix printer, its capabilities can greatly enhance the VI's versatility.

Dot atrix printers form their characters fron a series of dots. This type of printer falls into one of two categories either inpact or non-impact. There are three main types of non-impact printers, thermal, electrostatic and ink jet. Thernal print heads contain a set of fixed pins, which are heated rapidly to produce a dot on, specially treated, heat sensitive paper. Electrostatic print heads, also consist of fixed pins, which produce a tiny electrical discharge between the pins and an aluniniun coated paper, forning the dot. lnk jet print heads are comprised of a vertical line of pin holes, through which a fine jet of ink is squirted onto the paper to create each dot.

Currently, iapact type printers are the sost common. The print head in an iapact type printer usually consists of a line of pins arranged vertically. These pins strike against an inked ribbon to leave an impression on the paper. Each pin can be fired independantly. By firing all or some of these pins, a column of dots can be formed. The matrix used for aost upper case (capital) letters is 5 dots wide and 7 dots high. To produce a character, the pins are fired foraing a colum of dots. The print head then noves one dot position and the pins fire again. This happens three aore tiaes to produce an upper case letter 5 dots wide.

Unfortunately, while the principle of their operation is similar, dot watrix printers differ in other ways, Software codes that are sent from the computer to the printer deteraine which pins will be fired. Not all printers will react to those codes in the same way. There are basically three fanilies, EPSON, TANDY and APPLE, each conforaing to a different standard. Both the EPSON and APPLE types address 8 pin print heads, whilst the TANDY types possess only 7 pins. Each pin is given a weighted value, In the case of EPSOM types, the topmost pin has a value of 128, whilst the botton pin has the value 1. These values are reversed for APPLE and TANDY printers. The botton pin on a TANDY type is the seventh one and it has the value 64.-TANDY- type printers will only accept codes in the range from 1 to 127. The GP-100 belongs to the TANDY fanily and the UZ's ROM is set up to work with this type of printer. Since the codes used aren't coapatible with EPSON type printers, a software patch is needed. The value of such a patch can be deternined by looking at the relative aerits of the two types of printers.

The GP-100 has tractor feed only, which requires the use of paper with sprocket holes. It has a print speed of 30 characters per second (30 cps) and is capable of unidirectional (left to right) printing only, This printer has both character and graphics aodes. In character mode it posses5es just the one typeface, which has no true descenders. That is, the tails on the lower case letters g,j,p,q and $y$ do not descend below the line as they normally would. The only typestyle change, that can be ade to the existing typeface, is that each character can be printed in double width (expanded) form.

On the other hand, software such as the VI-EPSON Printer: Patch, HORDPRD and QUICKHRITE, allows the $V 2$ to ake the most of the facilities provided by EPSON type printers. All allow EPSON codes to be sent directly to the printer.

Consequently, instead of being limited to the 6P-100's aeagre repertoire, a whole range of printers, with a host of enhanced features, is on offer. Most provide tractor and friction paper feeds, though a few require that the tractor feed be bought separately. In some cases, it nay be possible to purchase a cut paper feeder, which can be useful, when printing aultiple copies of correspondence on single sheets. Logic seeking (where the head looks to nove the shortest distance possible) and bidirectional printing the head prints on both left to right and right to left passes), aeans speeds can range fron a miniaua of 80 cps to 200 cps and aore. These speeds are, of course, optimun values.

Though most printers possess only two typefaces (character sets), pica and italic, which are stored in an internal ROM, they compensate for this by offering a variety of typestyles. Different typestyles are formed by slightly modifying each character as it is printed. These include elite, condensed and double width. A few printers also offer double height and reverse print. In addition, there are features such as subscript (below the line) and superscript (above the line), emphasized and double strike. Proportional: spacing is also available, which adjusts the distance between letters, according to their width. Some printers way have a high density (near letter quality) facility as well. With this the print head aakes a second pass along each line, filling in the gaps between the dots, which for each character, Although slower, it results in better formed character 5.

The ability to control line feeds to within $1 / 216$ of an inch is desirable when compared to the $6 P-100 \cdot 51 / 6$ of an inch. This is particularly useful to anyone, who has struggled to get nailing labels to line up on the printer. Some even allow the paper to be fed in reverse as well as forward. (This entire article was written using HORDPRO and printed in a single pass. The two coluan fornat was achieved by altering margin settings and using the printer's reverse feed.) The standard features all have recognized EPSON codes, whereas other features and their codes way vary from one printer to the next. The following table displays the codes, in decial form, along with the resulting print type.

## Standard Epson Codes

[27,80] Normal Fica Frint
[27,112,1] Proportional Print
[27,77] Elite Print
[27,52] Italic frint
[14]
[15]
D:uctDIE widt円
[27,69]
Condensed Print
[27,71]
$[27,45,1]$
$[27,83,0]$
Double Strike Frint
Underlined Frint
$[27,83,1]$


Nom-Standard Codes
[27,97,1] High Density Print $[27,126,50,1]$ FEVERSED PRINT [27,104]

Whilst there is considerable standardization of EPSON print codes，there seens to be very little when it cones to the format used to present then，When exanining printer manuals，the presentation of these codes can appear quite confusing．Some examples are given below．Each is supposed to show which codes are needed to switch on Eaphasized Print．As shown in the table，this simply involves sending the two values 27 and 69 to the printer．

If you＇re confused by the above，don＇t feel bad，I found it just as difficult to understand？Basically the codes are presented in three ways，ASCII，Decieal（Base 10）and Hexidecimal（Base 16）．ESC stands for Escape and represents the Decinal value 27．In Hexidecinal form the value 27 is equal to 18．If a number has no identifying character or is followed by either a $D$ or 10 ，then it is considered to be a decimal number．If it is followed by an H or 16 ，then it is considered to be Hexidecinal．So the three ways of representing the code required to 5witch an EPSDN printer to Emphasized aode are sumarised below．

| ASCII | ESC | E |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Decinal | 27 | 69 |
| Hexidecimal | 18 | 45 |

In VI BASIC it would be accomplished by：
LPRINT CHR\＄（27）；＂E＂；
or LPRINT CHR（27）；CHR\＄（69）；
Hord processing software such as BuICKHRITE and HORDPRD allow print codes to be enbedded in the text．Since these prograns bypass the VZ＇s printer driver，any code value used will be sent directly to the printer．The following sxamples，illustrate how each of these programs enable a change of typeface at the beginning of a line．

GUICKHRITE embeds codes at the start of a line of text．The code aust be preceded by a carriage return 〈CR〉．
eg．〈CR〉［27］［52］This is a mord processing progran．
WORDPRD－uses printer controt tines which are preceded by a print flag 〈PF〉 and end in a carriage return 〈CR〉．
eg．$\langle P F>N=27,52\langle C R\rangle$
This is a word processing progran．
The result，when printed from either progran is as follows：
This is a word processing progran．
Although the anual says otherwise，WORDPRO is able to change typefaces in the aiddle of a line．The procedure is a little wore complicated and involves turning the line feed command on and off．Hy thanks to John Chapaan for supplying the method used．

[^0]Whilst both of these approaches are satisfactory，they require the user to be faniliar with all of the different print codes．Some word processing packages allow a label to be assigned to each print code，when the progran is first set up．These can then be inserted in the text as required without the user having to know the code．

One problen often experienced，when atteapting to use the $V 2$ with an EPSON type printer，is that EPSON codes often alternate the values 1 and 0 ，for switching on and off a particular feature．For instance，the code used to enable and disable underlining $[27,45, n]$ is identical，except for the last value $n$ ．Using the value $n=1$ selects underlining， whilst the value $n=0$ turns it off．The current $V I$ printer routine will not allow the value 0 through to the printer． Therefore，switching on underlining will work，but switching it off will not，and the same applies to similarly structured codes．Also affected，is any print code value greater than 127 ，which will be interpreted by the VI＇ 5 ROM routine as being either a graphics or inverse character． Since TANDY type printers do not store any characters in this range，the value will be intercepted by the VZ＇s RDM and replaced by a streal of graphics data．Whilst this data will enable a printer such as the $6 P-100$ ，to print the character，it will not be compatible with an EPSON printer． These difficulties can be overcome by using a printer patch or by sending the value directly out the printer ports（ODH and OEH）．Print codes sent to the printer in this way，will be acted on without interference．It should be noted， however，that any characters printed by an EPSON printer， corresponding to codes in the range from 95 to 255 ，will not be the same as those displayed on the VZ＇s screen．

A nuaber of printers come equipped with a RAM buffer． Instead of the computer being tied up waiting for the printer，the buffer acts as a storage area for data to be printed and so frees the conputer sooner．A second use，is 35 an area for downloadable characters．These are shapes， which the user ay design or which are aodifications of the existing character set．By storing these shapes in the buffer，the printer can print then，as if they were part of the normal set．
In bit jaage（graphics）aode，print resolutions ranging fro 480 to 1920 dots per line are possible．This mode allows the printing of shapes not held in the printer＇s ROH and is used when doing a dump of a HIRES screen．It should be noted that the VI＇s screen is only 128 pixels wide，The printer is capable of 15 times this resolution，allowing it to depict auch finer detail than is possible on screen，

In the world of printers，the primary standard has been set by EPSON．There can be no doubt of this，since the aajority of printer and computer anufacturers produce equipment，which conforms to it．IBM＇s adoption of the standard is further confirmation．Even the TANDY printers， offer，in their latest nodels，an IBM－EPSON compatible aode． Your UZ way not be able to compete in the real world，but your printer can．Selecting an EPSON type printer to partner your VZ，weans stepping into the ainstreas of the computing world．When you finally outgrow your $4 Z$ ，you will still have a useful peripheral that＇s able to connunicate with almost any computer you happen to choose．

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[^0]:    2g．〈PF〉F＝N＜CR〉（set line feed off）
    This is a〈CR＞
    $\langle P F\rangle N=27,52\langle C R\rangle \quad$（switch italics on） word processing〈CR〉
    〈PF $2 N=27,53 \mathrm{~F}=\mathrm{Y}\langle\mathrm{CR}\rangle \quad$（italics off，line feed on） progran．
    The result，when printed is as follows：
    This is a word processing progran．
    I＇ve been informed that a recently updated version of QUICXURITE will also be able to do this．

